

Alfisols are in semiarid to moist areas.

These soils result from weathering processes that leach clay minerals and other constituents out of the surface layer and into the subsoil, where they can hold and supply moisture and nutrients to plants. They formed primarily under forest or mixed vegetative cover and are productive for most crops.

ALFISOLS MAKE UP ABOUT 10% OF THE WORLD'S ICE-FREE LAND SURFACE.